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Application number 10/796,687
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To Whom It Concerns:

I am writing a petition letter to reverse my application that was abandoned on July 27, 2004.

The purpose for filing this petition is due to misinformation. I was misinformed, during a July 2004 phone conversation, that I had five months to send in the complete application with an extended fee by December 27, 2004. The phone call took place during July 2004 through a relay call by one of your representatives. I placed the relay call because I am Deaf and rely on the relay to act as a phone interpreter to relay messages between me and the other party. I believe that a misunderstanding took place between your representative and I due to the relay operator's misinterpretation during the conversation.

Today, I called the office to follow up on my application status and learned that my patent application was abandoned. I was appalled because I had until December 27, 2004 to complete and send in my application, according to the July 2004 phone conversation with your representative.

As an artist, I require a lot of extra time to gather my documents for the patent application because I work alone most of the time. I do not have a support staff under me. Sometimes, I have interns or volunteers. My company is a small struggling entity with little or no funds. My company is just starting out. I am a dedicated African American artist who happens to be Deaf, works hard for her creations, and works hard to make a difference in one's life as well as the Deaf community everywhere. I believe in my work. I believe in my patent-pending product. I know it is going to change how we as Deaf people appreciate sound. We depend on vibrations. I cannot allow another person to take the credit for my invention that I applied a patent for. I paid a lot of money to apply for this patent for my invention, and I expect more fees to be accumulated along with the extensions.

When I learn that my patent application was abandoned without notification, that hurt. I understand it was a decision based on abiding with US Patent and Trademark Office policies regarding deadlines. However, I am disputing the abandonment of the extension I believe I was granted for my application. Like I said before, I was misinformed. I would appreciate a review and consideration for US Patent and Trademark Office granting me the petition, reversing the patent to the sole inventor (me), and granting me the extension as previously agreed during the July 2004 phone conversation with your office representative.

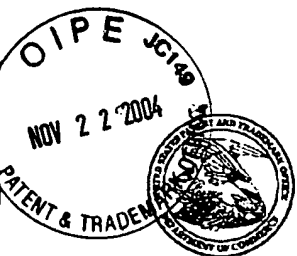
Included with this letter is the incomplete application, which I will complete and submit by the deadline originally agreed on.

Thank you for your reconsideration. I look forward to resolving this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Ann Marie J. Bryan

Enclosed: Notice of incomplete Non-Provisional Application



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NOTICE OF INCOMPLETE NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

A filing date has NOT been accorded to the above-identified application papers for the reason(s) indicated below.

All of the items noted below and a newly executed oath or declaration covering the items must be submitted within **TWO MONTHS** of the date of this Notice, unless otherwise indicated, or proceedings on the application will be terminated (37 CFR 1.53(e)). Replies should be mailed to: Mail Stop Missing Parts, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria VA 22313-1450.

The filing date will be the date of receipt of all items required below, unless otherwise indicated. Any assertions that the item(s) required below were submitted, or are not necessary for a filing date, must be by way of petition directed to the attention of the Office of Petitions accompanied by the \$130.00 petition fee (37 CFR 1.17(h)). If the petition states that the application is entitled to a filing date, a request for a refund of the petition fee may be included in the petition. Petitions should be mailed to: Mail Stop Petitions, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria VA 22313-1450.

- The specification does not include at least one claim.
A complete specification as prescribed by 35 U.S.C. 112 is required.
- The oath or declaration is missing.
A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

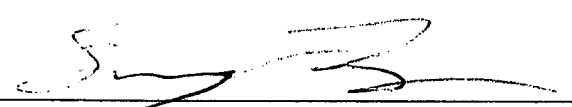
- A substitute specification in compliance with 37 CFR 1.52, 1.121(b)(3), and 1.125, is required. The specification, claims, or abstract page(s) submitted is not acceptable and cannot be scanned or properly stored because:
 - The line spacing on the specification, claims, or abstract is not 1½ or double spaced (see 37 CFR 1.52(b)).
- Replacement drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 and 37 CFR 1.121 are required. The drawings

submitted are not acceptable because:

- The drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch). See Figure(s) Design 1-12.
 - The drawings must be reasonably free from erasures and must be free from alterations, overwriting, interlineations, folds, and copy marks. See Figure(s) Design 1-6,8,10,12.
 - The drawings have a line quality that is too light to be reproduced (weight of all lines and letters must be heavy enough to permit adequate reproduction) or text that is illegible (reference characters, sheet numbers, and view numbers must be plain and legible) see 37 CFR 1.84(l) and (p)(1)); See Figure(s) Design 2,6,7,9,11.
 - The drawings submitted to the Office are not electronically reproducible. Drawing sheets must be submitted on paper, which is flexible, strong, white, smooth, non-shiny, and durable (see 37 CFR 1.84(e)). See Figure(s) Design 1,5.
- An abstract of the technical disclosure not exceeding 150 words in length and commencing on a separate sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 1.72(b) is required. An abstract was not provided for this application.

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